

Committee for Educational Policies and Planning  
Annual Report 2017-2018

**Function:** To recommend to the faculty and administration short and long-range educational plans for the College and thus be instrumental in clarifying, improving and changing major policies and educational procedures; to evaluate Skidmore's present practices and goals.

**Membership**

2018 Henry Jaffe, '18, SGA student representative  
2018 Janet Sorensen, Art, tenured

## **Other Business**

- f* CEPP endorsed the 2019-2020 Academic Calendar.
- f* The committee endorsed three department/program name changes: Latin American Studies (minor) has become Latin American and Latinx Studies. Health and Exercise Sciences (Major) has become Health and Human Physiological Sciences. The Department of Mathematics (major) has become the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. CEPP also endorsed a new Statistics minor in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics
- f* The Chair of Curriculum Committee met with CEPP on two occasions to discuss potential certificate programs. The committee also met with Jordana Dym, director of MDOCs, to discuss a possible certificate program in MDOCs.
- f* CEPP had discussions with the Assessment Coordinator regarding assessment of information literacy. These conversations will continue.
- f* CEPP met with Paul Benzou, director of Project VIS, and Barbara Norelli, Scribner Library librarian, to discuss visual literacy and information literacy.
- f* Grace Burton, World Languages and Literatures, joined CEPP to discuss peer observation rubrics and potential policies.
- f* In anticipation of a review of the current Student Ratings form, Michael Arnush, chair of Classics and previous chair of CEPP, joined the committee to provide history and context for the development of the current form.
- f* CEPP discussed and generally supported a proposal from Athletic Council to add varsity sports as part of the physical activity offerings.
- f* Interim DOF/VPAA Crystal Moore proposed that the new Faculty Director of Assessment become a permanent member of CEPP. In the fall of 2018 CEPP will confer with FEC on this issue. Because it will mean a change to the Faculty Handbook, this decision will require a faculty vote

Respectfully submitted,  
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